

CLAIMS

1. An attachment for a cleaning appliance having a head and a neck, the neck being adapted to be connected to the mouth of a wand or hose of the cleaning appliance and the neck having a first portion which, in use, lies alongside the mouth of the wand or hose and forms a first air passageway, characterised in that the neck has a second portion which, in use, is spaced away from the mouth of the wand or hose so that a second air passageway separate from the first air passageway is formed between the second portion of the neck and the mouth of the wand or hose.

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2. An attachment as claimed in claim 1, wherein, in use, the attachment further comprises a suction opening and the first air passageway extends from the suction opening to the mouth of the wand or hose.

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3. An attachment as claimed in claim 2, wherein, in use, the second air passageway is open to the atmosphere at a location spaced from the suction opening.

4. An attachment as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 3, wherein the first portion of the neck is part-cylindrical in shape.

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5. An attachment as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 4, wherein the second portion of the neck is part-cylindrical in shape.

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6. An attachment as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 5, wherein the second portion of the neck projects outwardly from the first portion of the neck.

7. An attachment as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 5, wherein the second portion of the neck projects inwardly from the first portion of the neck.

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8. An attachment as claimed in claim 7, wherein the second portion of the neck is planar.

9. An attachment as claimed in any one of the preceding claims, wherein the head has a portion which forms a continuous surface with the second portion of the neck.

5 10. An attachment as claimed in any one of the preceding claims, wherein the attachment is one of a brush tool, a stair tool and a crevice tool.

11. An attachment for a cleaning appliance substantially as hereinbefore described with reference to any one of the accompanying drawings.

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12. The combination of an attachment holder for a cleaning appliance, the cleaning appliance having a wand or hose, and at least one attachment as claimed in any one of the preceding claims.

15 13. The combination of claim 12, wherein the attachment holder is adapted to be attached to the wand or hose of the cleaning appliance.

14. The combination of claim 12 or 13, wherein the attachment holder has a central wall and a plurality of tongues adapted and arranged to hold the second portions of the attachments against the central wall.

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15. A vacuum cleaner having a wand or hose in combination with at least one attachment as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 11.

25 16. A vacuum cleaner having a hose or wand and the combination as claimed in any one of claims 12 to 14.